BRIDGE ACROSS THE ST. LOUIS RIVER, WIS. AND MINN.

FEBRUARY 16, 1925.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. NEWTON of Minnesota, from the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 12025]

The Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, to whom was referred the bill H. R. 12025, a bill authorizing the construction, maintenance, and operation of a bridge across the St. Louis River between the cities of Superior, Wis., and Duluth, Minn., having considered the same, report thereon with amendments and as so amended recommend that it pass.

The bill as amended has the approval of the War and Agriculture Departments, as will appear by the letters attached and which are made a part of this report.

Amend the bill as follows:

Line 3, page 1, after the word "That," insert "the consent of Congress is hereby granted to".

Line 4, page 1, after the word "assigns," strike out the rest of the line.

Line 5, page 1, strike out "ized" and "toll".

Line 6, page 1, after "thereto," strike out the rest of the line.

Strike out all of line 7, page 1. Line 8, page 1, after the word "River," insert "at a point suitable to the interests of navigation," and strike out the balance of the line. Strike out line 9, page 1.

Line 1, page 2, strike out "be constructed as a lift bridge or pivot

drawbridge.

Line 6, page 2, strike out "across" and insert "over" in lieu thereof. Line 7, page 2, change the colon to a period and strike out the balance of the line.

Strike out all of lines 8 and 9, page 2.

Amend the title so as to read:

A bill granting the consent of Congress for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a bridge across the Saint Louis River between the cities of Superior, Wisconsin, and Duluth, Minnesota.

WAR DEPARTMENT, February 6, 1925.

Respectfully returned to the chairman Committee on Interstate and Foreign

Commerce, House of Representatives.

So far as the interests committed to this department are concerned, I know of no objection to the favorable consideration of the accompanying bill, H. R. 12025, Sixty-eighth Congress, second session, authorizing the construction, maintenance, and operation of a bridge across the St. Louis River between the cities of Superior,

Wis., and Duluth, Minn., if amended as indicated in red thereon.

As the navigable portions of the St. Louis River do not lie within the limits of a single State the consent of Congress is required, under section 9 of the river and harbor act of March 3, 1899 (30 Stat. 1151), for the construction of a bridge

thereover.

JOHN W. WEEKS, Secretary of War.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, Washington, February 6, 1925.

Hon. SAMUEL E. WINSLOW,

Chairman Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce,

House of Representatives.

DEAR MR. WINSLOW: I have your letter of February 2, inclosing a copy of H. R. 12025 for a report thereon and such views as the department may desire to communicate.

This bill would authorize the Twin Ports Bridge Co. to construct, maintain. and operate a toll bridge and approaches thereto across the St. Louis River between the city of Superior, Wis., and the city of Duluth, Minn. As the proposed structure will constitute an intercity connection between these two municipalities this department has no suggestion to offer regarding the bill.

Sincerely,

Howard M. Gore, Secretary.